

hundred shares the persons then holding or owning burial lots in said cemetery shall become equal members of said corporation with the remaining stockholders, and entitled to an equal participation in all the rights, privileges, franchises, property and estate, real and personal, of the said corporation, derived under this charter, with the said remaining stockholders, and entitled to vote at any subsequent election for said President and Managers, giving one vote for each lot held in said cemetery; but the said remaining stockholders shall have a lien on the real estate of said corporation, not disposed of for burial purposes, for payment of their said stock and interest, and shall be entitled to receive six per centum per annum dividend on their said stock before any dividend can be made among said lot holders; and said remaining stockholders, when the amount of their stock shall be reduced below one hundred shares, may be severally excluded from all participation in the affairs of said corporation, where they refuse to receive payment, by the tender to each of them, in current money, of the amount of their stock, at par value, with legal interest thereon, less dividends received as aforesaid; it being the intention of this act that the money advanced by the original stockholders shall be paid to them, with not exceeding six per centum interest thereon, and that the lot holders in said cemetery shall become eventually the only proprietors of said cemetery, the full successors of the original corporators herein named, and the exclusive members of said corporation; and whereas, it has been represented to this General Assembly that the charter of the Trustees of the Westminster General Meeting House, passed by the General Assembly of this State, May twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and thirteen, has expired, by failure, for many years, to elect said Trustees; that all evidence of membership, or of individual rights, in said corporation has been lost; that said meeting house has been long since deserted, as a regular place of worship, by all religious denominations; that said meeting house is in a ruinous condition and unfit for use, and that the public burying ground connected therewith is equally in want of some superintending care; and whereas also, the persons hereby incorporated have

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